

Questions?

What items belong in my green waste cart?

Only grass, leaves, tree branches (up to 3 ½ feet long; no more than 4" in diameter), and yard trimmings can be placed in your cart.

What if I need more than one cart for my green waste?

You can call the Solid Waste Utility at 224-6201 and request a second cart be delivered. The cost is \$4.00 a month. You may keep the cart as long as you like, but it must be kept a minimum of six months.

Why wasn't my cart emptied?

The driver may not empty the cart if it is overfilled. In order to prevent green waste from spilling onto the roadway, overfilled carts may not be emptied. Also check to see if your cart was partially emptied. Green waste should always be placed loosely in your cart to avoid jamming. In addition, always make sure the lid on your cart is completely closed.

What if two green waste carts are not enough for my weekly yard waste?

You may self-haul green waste to the transfer station on Abernathy Lane. The disposal cost depends on how much you bring in. Leaves are accepted at no cost during leaf season: November 1st through January 31st. This free service is only available to Redding Solid Waste Utility customers.

Not sure when your collection day is?
Download our free mobile app:
City of Redding Solid Waste,
for Apple and Android devices.

Not sure how to dispose of or recycle an item?
Our **Waste Wizard** on our website can help.
Just type in the name of the material to get
disposal or recycling information.

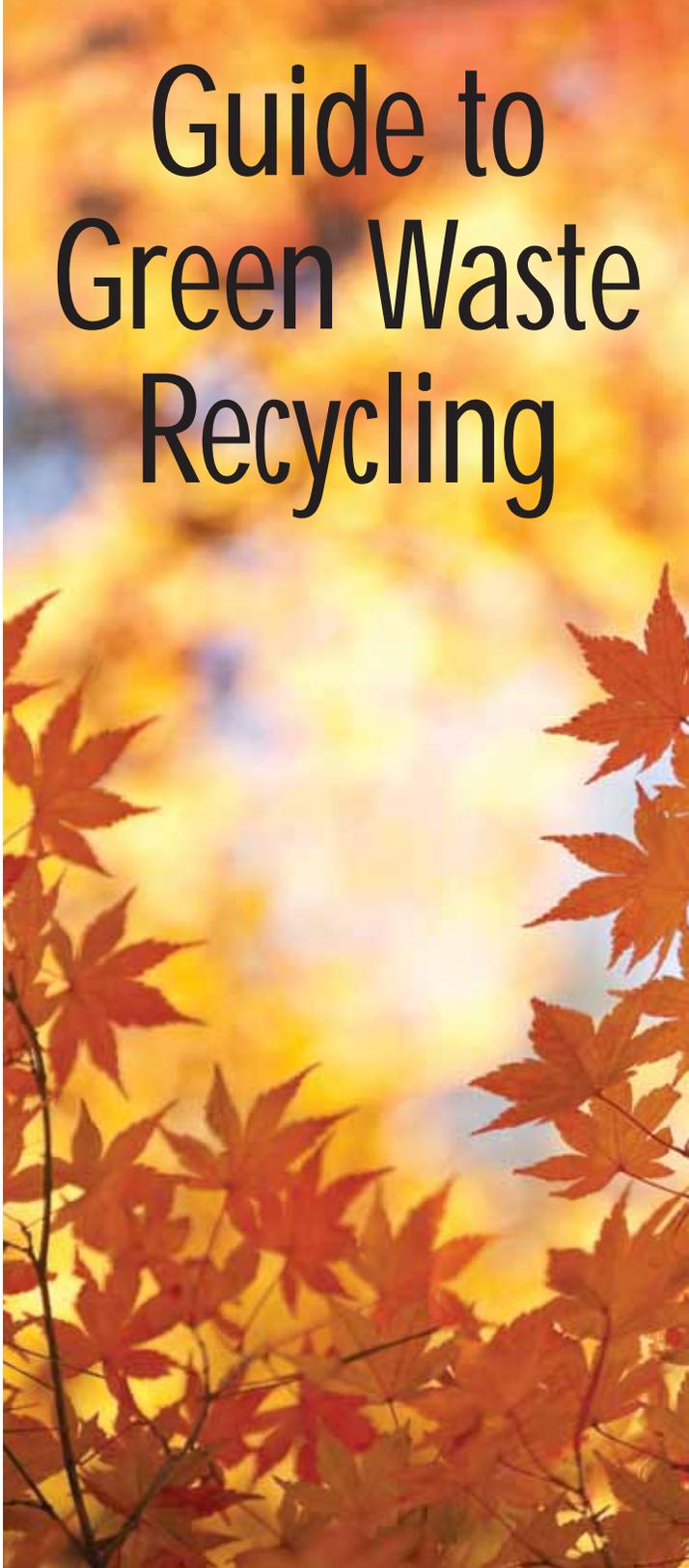
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Guide to Green Waste Recycling





Compost

The City of Redding Solid Waste Utility offers curbside green waste recycling to its residential customers. Acceptable items consist of grass, leaves, yard trimmings and tree branches. **Remember that bags of any kind are not acceptable in your green waste cart.**

Material is collected and brought to the transfer station where it is processed at the City's 4.5 acre compost facility. The green waste is ground and placed into special bags that speed up the composting process by retaining heat and moisture. This also kills any weeds and neutralizes chemicals.

This compost is available for sale in quantities as small as a 5-gallon bucket to as much as a truck load. It makes an excellent soil amendment and improves moisture retention in your soil. Call 224-6201 for information on pricing and availability.

Items That Don't Belong Your Green Waste Cart

NOTE: Do not put grass clippings or leaves into plastic bags before placing in your curbside green waste cart. Plastic bags and the following items are considered contamination. Repeated contaminations will result in the removal of your cart.



Note: All of our curbside carts have a maximum weight limit of 200 pounds. If carts weight more than 200 pounds, our trucks may not be able to empty them.

Unacceptable Items

- ▶ Plastic bags, flower pots
- ▶ Dirt, rock or concrete
- ▶ Any part of a palm tree
- ▶ Cactus
- ▶ Poison Oak
- ▶ Blackberry vines
- ▶ Pampas grass
- ▶ Bamboo
- ▶ Treated, stained or painted wood
- ▶ Any food scraps - including jack o'lanterns, fruits and vegetables
- ▶ Animal feces
- ▶ Ashes
- ▶ Paper products - including cardboard
- ▶ Sod

Leaves

Free Leaf Disposal Program

If you have excess leaves during leaf season and you are a current City of Redding Solid Waste customer, you can bring your leaves to the transfer station for free from November 1st through January 31st. You will need to bring your current City of Redding utility bill and a photo I.D. This service is not available to commercial customers.

Keep in mind that leaves start to decompose quickly, so a cart that was full, may only be ½ full after a couple of days. Leaves also make great compost. Homemade bins are easy to make and can be constructed out of scrap wood, old pallets and even old plastic garbage cans that have holes drilled in the bottom and sides. Information on composting and plans for building bins is available on our website: www.reddingsolidwaste.net

